

TITLE 17

REFUSE AND TRASH DISPOSAL¹

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17-101. Refuse defined. Refuse shall mean and include garbage, and rubbish, leaves, brush, and refuse as those terms are generally defined except that dead animals and fowls, body wastes, hot ashes, rocks, concrete, bricks, and similar materials are expressly excluded therefrom and shall not be stored therewith. (1973 Code, § 8-101)

17-102. Premises to be kept clean. All persons within the city are required to keep their premises in a clean and sanitary condition, free from accumulations of refuse except when stored as provided in this chapter. (1973 Code, § 8-102)

17-103. Storage. Each owner, occupant, or other responsible person using or occupying any building or other premises within this city where refuse accumulates or is likely to accumulate, shall provide and keep covered an adequate number of refuse containers. The refuse containers shall be strong, durable, and rodent and insect proof. They shall each have a capacity of not less than twenty (20) nor more than thirty-two (32) gallons, except that this maximum capacity shall not apply to larger containers which the city handles

¹Municipal code reference

Property maintenance regulations: title 13.

mechanically. Furthermore, except for containers which the city handles mechanically, the combined weight of any refuse container and its contents shall not exceed seventy-five (75) pounds. No refuse shall be placed in a refuse container until such refuse has been drained of all free liquids. Tree trimmings, hedge clippings, and similar materials shall be cut to a length not to exceed four feet (4') and shall be securely tied in individual bundles weighing not more than seventy-five (75) pounds each and being not more than two feet (2') thick before being deposited for collection. (1973 Code, § 8-103)

17-104. Location of containers. Where alleys are used by the city refuse collectors, containers shall be placed on or within six feet (6') of the alley line in such a position as not to intrude upon the traveled portion of the alley. Where streets are used by the city refuse collectors, containers shall be placed adjacent to and back of the curb, or adjacent to and back of the ditch or street line if there is no curb, at such times as shall be scheduled by the city for the collection of refuse therefrom. As soon as practicable after such containers have been emptied they shall be removed by the owner to within, or to the rear of, his premises and away from the street line until the next scheduled time for collection. (1973 Code, § 8-104)

17-105. Disturbing containers. No unauthorized person shall uncover, rifle, pilfer, dig into, turn over, or in any other manner disturb or use any refuse container belonging to another. This section shall not be construed to prohibit the use of public refuse containers for their intended purpose. (1973 Code, § 8-105)

17-106. Collection. All refuse accumulated within the corporate limits shall be collected, conveyed, and disposed of under the supervision of such officer as the governing body shall designate. Collections shall be made regularly in accordance with an announced schedule. (1973 Code, § 8-106)

17-107. Collection vehicles. The collection of refuse shall be by means of vehicles with beds constructed of impervious materials which are easily cleanable and so constructed that there will be no leakage of liquids draining from the refuse onto the streets and alleys. Furthermore, all refuse collection vehicles shall utilize closed beds or such coverings as will effectively prevent the scattering of refuse over the streets or alleys. (1973 Code, § 8-107)

17-108. Disposal. The disposal of refuse in any quantity by any person in any place, public or private, other than at the site or sites designated for refuse disposal by the city council is expressly prohibited. (1973 Code, § 8-108)

17-109. Use of land fill. The following rules shall regulate the use of the municipal sanitary land fill. It shall be unlawful:

- (1) To burn any substance thereon;
- (2) To dump refuse thereon at any time when the land fill is not in operation;
- (3) To dump or deposit refuse at any location on the land fill that has not been designated as a site for dumping by the attendant on duty;
- (4) To dump at any time any of the following substances:
 - (a) Stumps, limbs, etc. unless chipped;
 - (b) Dead animals or animal entrails;
 - (c) Automobile or truck bodies;
 - (d) Liquids or explosive materials; or
 - (e) Items too large to be compressed. (1973 Code, § 8-109)

17-110. Charges for garbage service. A mandatory garbage collection charge shall be paid monthly on all residential dwellings and commercial cart customers within the City of Lafayette and those dwellings and commercial customers receiving garbage service outside the City of Lafayette city limits. All garbage service charges shall be billed on water bills, if water is used, otherwise by separate billing. No fee shall be charged for garbage collection for any residential dwelling which is unoccupied, unless garbage service is requested. Residences and commercial locations shall be billed in accordance with the following:

Residential rates inside the city limits with	
1-96 gallon carts per week	\$12.25 per month
Residential rates inside the city limits with	
2-96 gallon carts per week	\$18.25 per month
Residential outside city limits with 1-96 gallon	
carts per week	\$15.00 per month
Residential outside city limits with 2-96 gallon	
carts per week	\$21.00 per month
Rear of residence pick-up	\$17.00 per month

The first cart shall be furnished by the city at no charge. A second cart must be purchased by the customer at the City of Lafayette's cost. All carts shall be obtained from the city and from no other source.

Commercial with 1 cart, once a week pick-up	\$12.25 per month
Commercial with 2 carts, once a week pick-up	\$24.50 per month
Commercial with 3 carts, once a week pick-up	\$36.75 per month
Any additional carts after 3, will be charged \$12.25 per cart	
Commercial off-street pick-up per cart, once a week	\$17.00 per month
Commercial with 1 cart, twice a week pick-up	\$22.50 per month
Commercial with 2 carts, twice a week pick-up	\$45.00 per month

Commercial with 3 carts, twice a week pick-up \$67.50 per month
 Any additional carts after 3, will be charged \$22.50 per cart
 Commercial off-street pick-up per cart, twice a week \$32.00 per month

Commercial with 1 cart, three times a week pick-up \$32.75 per month
 Commercial with 2 carts, three times a week pick-up \$65.50 per month
 Commercial with 3 carts, three times a week pick-up \$98.25 per month
 Any additional carts after 3, will be charged \$32.75 per cart
 Commercial off-street pick-up per cart, three times a week \$47.00 per month

Commercial with 1 cart, four times a week pick-up \$43.00 per month
 Commercial with 2 carts, four times a week pick-up \$86.00 per month
 Commercial with 3 carts, four times a week pick-up \$129.00 per month
 Any additional carts after 3, will be charged \$43.00 per cart
 Commercial off-street pick-up per cart, four times a week . \$62.00 per month

Commercial with 1 cart, five times a week pick-up \$53.25 per month
 Commercial with 2 carts, five times a week pick-up \$106.50 per month
 Commercial with 3 carts, five times a week pick-up \$159.75 per month
 Any additional carts after 3, will be charged \$53.25 per cart
 Commercial off-street pick-up per cart, five times a week . \$77.00 per month

A manufacturer shall not be required to pay any fee for garbage service when the City of Lafayette is unable to provide garbage service to that manufacturer.

All carts shall be obtained and furnished by the city at no charge; and from no other source. Credit shall be given to those customers, currently active, who have purchased additional garbage carts, provided the carts are in satisfactory condition. The refund for the additional cart shall be given upon termination of city services. Proof of purchase or receipt shall be required for the credit or refund. (Ord. #556, Oct. 2008, as amended by Ord. #646, June 2013, Ord. #724, June 2018 *Ch3_03-05-19*, and Ord. #730, Oct. 2018 *Ch3_03-05-19*)